

PART - IV

(To be filled in by the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest Department).

17. Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks.


(While giving opinion the advance comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon).

The proposal concerns diversion of forest land pertaining to Raid Laban Protected Forest, Shillong, at compartment C/7. I have perused the views of the Conservator of Forest (Khasi & Jaintia Hills) Territorial in part III. The user agency has proposed for construction of two water reservoirs over an area of 0.296 Ha to meet the drinking water requirement in the Shillong town. Since the project serves public utility, drinking water being a vital requirement, the proposal for diversion of forest land is recommended and the undersigned concurs with the recommendation furnished by the Conservator of Forest.

Further, since the instant proposal falls under item no. 4 i.e., drinking water projects, among the category of projects in respect of which the Central Government has granted general approval for diversion under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as communicated vide their letter F.No. 11-9/98-FC dated 13.02.2014, approval for diversion of forest land in the instant case may kindly be granted by the State Government themselves.

The proposal is **recommended**.

Date : 03/01/2019
Place : Shillong.


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Meghalaya, Shillong.